

**A regular meeting of the City Council of Sweeny, Texas, was held at City Hall on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm.**

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Dale Lemon called the meeting to order.

**2. Roll Call**

Council Present: Sandra Blaine, Jeff Farley, Tim Shotts and Jalyn White-Wick. Also present: Cindy King, City Manager; Gene West, Dir. of Public Works and Jose DeJulian Utilities Supervisor.

**3. Invocation**

Invocation was given by Bro. Powell from Church of God in Christ.

**4. Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge to the American Flag was recited and led by Tim Shotts.  
Pledge to the Texas Flag was recited and led Tim Shotts.

**5. Presentation of Citizens:**

**Visitors:**

**6. Consent Items**

**A. Approval of Minutes – March 15, 2016**

**B. Approval of Bills \$40,311.86**

Sandra Blaine made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 15, 2016 and the bills in the amount of \$40,311.86. Jalyn White-Wick seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**7. Public Hearing:**

**8. Fire Department Report:** James Christian, 1<sup>st</sup> Capt. gave the report.

**9. Old Business**

**A. Discuss / Take Action to Award Bid for 2016 debris Removal Contract**

Jeff Farley made a motion to award the bid to DRC Emergency Service for the 2016 Debris Removal Contract with Crowder Gulf as the alternate. Tim Shotts seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Discuss / Take Action on Contract with Sienna Armory (Jonathan Babb)**

Jeff Farley made a motion to approve the contract with Sienna Armory. Tim Shotts seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **10. New Business**

### **A. Discuss / Take Action on Ditch Cleaning on MLK (Dale Wright)**

Cindy King stated that the county drainage district will be looking into this issue. Jeff Farley made a motion to take no action. Sandra Blaine seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **B. Discuss / Take Action to Set date to Canvass Votes from May 7, 2016 Election**

Jeff Farley made a motion to Canvass the Votes from May 7, 2016 Election on May 17, 2016. Sandra Blaine seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **C. Discuss / Take Action to Amend Sign Ordinance**

Cindy King stated that our Sign Ordinance only addresses small yard signs. We have had a large bill board erected on Main Street that has raised several concerns about large bill boards and the verbiage to be put on them.

Jeff Farley made a motion to table for the May meeting to let Cindy King and Charlie Stevenson get together and amend the present sign ordinance using West Columbia's and Lake Jackson's as a guide. Tim Shotts seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **D. Discuss / Take Action on Interlocal Agreement and Drainage Concerns for Improvements on City Property.**

Cindy King stated the City Property in question is the empty lot next to City Hall. EDC would like to make some improvements such as a caliche drive way and caliche area for cook-off teams in the future. Ms. Kings concerns are the improvements may cause flooding for the neighbors. The county will address the drainage concerns.

Jalyn White-Wick made a motion to accept the Interlocal Agreement and Drainage Concerns for the improvements on City Property stated as lot next to City Hall. Jeff Farley seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **E. Discuss / Take Action to Appoint Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments Members**

The two members whose two-year term is expired are: Jenny Massey and Wayne Vinson. Jenny Massey has re-applied. Andrea Luster has also applied.

Jeff Farley made a motion to appoint Ms. Massey and Ms. Luster to the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments. Sandra Blaine seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **F. Discuss / Take Action to Hire Two Part Time Employees for Summer Help.**

Sandra Blaine made a motion to hire two part-time employees for Summer Help. Jalyn White-Wick seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **G. Discuss / Take Action to Support Surfside Village Pursuit of State and Federal Grants**

Jeff Farley made a motion to send a letter of support to Surfside Village to aid in State and Federal Grants. Tim Shotts seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**N. Proclamations:**

**National Nurses Week – May 6, 2016**

**National Day of Prayer – May 5, 2016**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Cindy King stated that it has been a privilege to work with Tim Shotts and Jalyn Whick-Wick on City Council.

Pride Day is May 7, 2016

Drainage

**12. Closed Executive Session:**

**OPEN MEETING:**

**13. Discussion and action from Executive Session:**

**14. Adjournment: 6:43 p.m.**

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2016**

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**Reatta Minshe, City Secretary**